

Security of Foreign Intelligence

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Automated Systems and Networks

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Pursuant to section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, Executive Order 12356, and National Security Council (NSC) Directives, this Director of Central Intelligence Directive (DCID) establishes policy and prescribes authority and responsibilities for the protection of foreign intelligence and counterintelligence (2) derived through sensitive sources and methods and processed, stored, or communicated by automated systems or networks. (3) This Directive recognizes that the diversity and complexity of automated systems or networks now in operation, or in the final stages of long-term development, may not provide for full compliance with all of the provisions of this Directive or its attached regulation. Therefore, exceptions to this Directive are left to the determination of each member of the National Foreign Intelligence Board (NFIB) in view of his ultimate responsibility for the protection of all foreign intelligence and counterintelligence under his jurisdiction

Applicability

This Directive applies to all United States government departments and agencies which use automated systems to process, store, or communicate intelligence information. It applies with equal force to automated systems or networks owned or operated by the United States Government and those owned or operated by contractors or consultants performing for the United States Government.

POLICY

1. Supersedes DCID 1/16, 6 June 1978
2. Foreign intelligence and counterintelligence are used in this directive as defined in Executive Order 12333 and as classified under the provisions of Executive Order 12356. For the purposes of this Directive, the term "intelligence information" shall include both foreign intelligence and foreign counterintelligence.
3. Automated systems and networks are defined as collections of computer-based equipment and software which are designed to process, store, or communicate information as digital data. Automated systems and networks include automated data processing (ADP), word processing (WP), automated office (AO), and electronic mail (EM) systems.

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